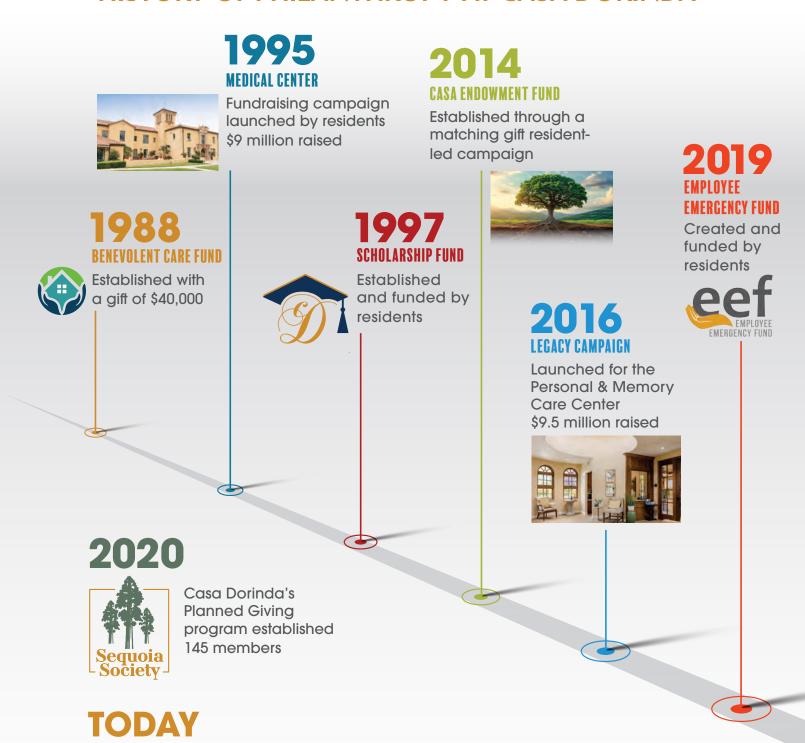


## HISTORY OF PHILANTHROPY AT CASA DORINDA



The **legacy of giving** at Casa Dorinda is truly inspiring.

We are immensely grateful for the generosity of our residents and other stakeholders. Unlike our for-profit counterparts, **every dollar we receive goes directly back into Casa Dorinda**, ensuring we provide the highest level of care, services and amenities possible.

Your donations make a difference and strengthen our mission.

## PHILANTHROPY AT CASA

## FRONT COVER - HIGHLIGHTING OUR HEALTHCARE

Casa Dorinda's healthcare services are a defining strength of our community and a key reason many residents choose Casa as their home. Our dedicated staff provide exceptional, compassionate care, and it is no surprise that donations are often made in their honor.

Over the past year, we received \$137,000 in support of our future Healthcare Improvement Project, which will expand Personal Care/Assisted Living and revitalize our Medical Center. While final plans are currently being refined, we are grateful for the early philanthropic investment in this vital enhancement to our campus and the well-being of our residents.

## WHERE THE NEED IS GREATEST/UNRESTRICTED GIFTS

"Nancy and I choose to make our gifts unrestricted because we trust the organizations we support and know they will utilize the funds where they are needed most. We were delighted to learn that our recent donation enabled the purchase of 10 new radios for Casa Dorinda's Resident Warden Program, led by Dr. Dave Williams and Leticia Ontiveros, Director of Security. This resident-led emergency response program plays a vital role in keeping our community safe, and we are proud to support its important work."

—Drs. Nancy & Jeffrey Kupperman



Leticia Ontiveros, Jeffrey Kupperman-MRA Board Member, Nancy Kupperman, Dr. Dave Williams (left to right)

Unrestricted gifts provide the flexibility to address immediate priorities and invest in opportunities that elevate our programs, services and campus.

Projects and Equipment Funded by Unrestricted Gifts in 2025:

Warden Radios • Housekeeping Area Enhancements • Resident Portal Upgrade • Vital Signs Machines • Auditorium Lectern • Dining Services Food Delivery Cart

## PHILANTHROPIC INITIATIVES

## **CASA FUNDS**

- Benevolent Care Fund
- Where the Need is Greatest
- Community Enhancement Fund
- Endowment Fund

## **EMPLOYEE SUPPORT FUNDS**

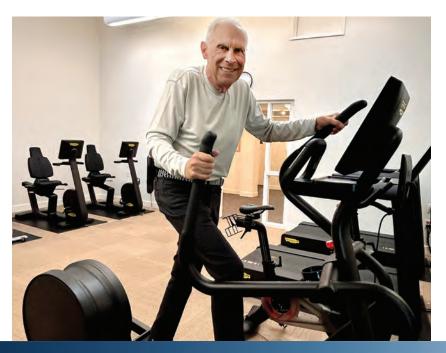
- Employee Emergency Fund
- Scholarship Fund

## **PLANNED GIVING**

Sequoia Society



## **COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUND HIGHLIGHTS**



## FITNESS CENTER ELLIPTICAL

"Fitness has always been an important part of our lives. We saw a need for a new elliptical machine at Casa and were excited to contribute to something that promotes health and wellness, and all residents would benefit from, including us!"

—Mark & Chris Levine, Casa Residents

2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$162,900 / 28 Gifts 2024 Funds Contributed: \$204,400 / 51 Gifts



## **COMMUNITY-WIDE PROJECTS:**

- Music, Dance & Entertainment
- Dementia Training
- Electronic Healthcare Records Upgrades
- Fitness & Neuro Boxing Equipment
- Library Books

## **HEALTHCARE PROJECTS:**

- Staff Relaxation & Wellness Room
- Medical Equipment
- Shower Room Upgrades
- Virtual Reality Program
- Observation Room Furniture

## **BENEVOLENT CARE FUND**



Residents who outlive their financial resources will always have a home at Casa Dorinda.

- Average number of residents who receive supplemental support: 2-4 per year
- Average dollars spent each year: \$170,000

2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$3.600 / 5 Gifts

2024 Funds Contributed:

\$9,100 / 7 Gifts

**BENEVOLENT CARE FUND BALANCE: \$770,000** 



2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$413,100 / 7 Gifts

2024 Funds Contributed: \$29,100 / 21 Gifts

ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCE: \$1,191,000 (includes guaranteed pleage of \$400,000)

## **SEQUOIA SOCIETY - PLANNED GIVING**

- The Sequoia Society offers an opportunity to designate a planned gift of any amount to the fund(s) most meaningful to you. We have more than *145 members!*
- There are simple ways to designate your future gift without revising your estate plans, such as beneficiary designations through your *IRA*, *Donor-Advised Fund*, *Bank Account*, or *Life Insurance Policy*.
- The impact of planned gifts we have received includes support for the Center for Personal Care & Memory Care, the Employee Emergency Fund, Resident Benevolent Care and our Endowment.



Bequests/Planned Gifts received since Sequoia Society was established: \$1,040,000 Estimate of Future Gifts Casa will receive: \$8,000,000









## SUPPORTING CASA DORINDA EMPLOYEES



"Thank you so much for approving my emergency grant request.

When unexpected challenges arise, finding a solution can be stressful

and overwhelming. Your support has allowed me to repair my car and keep up with my responsibilities without the heavy burden of financial worry. It is a huge relief to know this resource is available when we need it most. This is the second time in my nine years here that I have needed assistance, and both times I've been reminded how fortunate I am to be part of Casa Dorinda and a community that shows such genuine compassion for its employees. It's not just the financial help—it's the reassurance that we are not alone."

—Cameron Vanetti, Technology Services



The Employee Emergency Fund provides tax-free grants of up to \$5,000 to staff members experiencing financial hardship due to an unexpected emergency.

- Emergency Categories: Medical, Dental, Home, Funeral Expenses, Transportation and Extreme Circumstances.
- The top two areas of need are Home Rent/Mortgage and Transportation.
- To date, the EEF has been able to fulfill ALL eligible emergency grant requests.
- Nearly 300 grants have been awarded since the fund was created, totaling \$760,000.

To learn more about the Employee Emergency Fund, please contact Chair Nina Schooler at 805.969.8679.

#### **EMERGENCY FUND IMPACT:**

2025: 41 grants to date, totaling \$147,000
 Average grant: \$3,600

2024: 46 total grants, totaling \$157,000
 Average grant: \$3,400

2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$71,000 / 98 Gifts 2024 Funds Contributed: \$156,000 / 78 Gifts EMERGENCY FUND BALANCE: \$114,800

# Employee Appreciation Fund

Thank you to all the residents who generously contributed over \$597,000 to the 2025 Employee Appreciation Fund. Your support provided year-end bonuses to more than 250 staff members. While these gifts are not tax-deductible, your generosity means the world to them.

# SCHOLARSHIP ANNUAL FUND

empower - elevate- educate

- Meets our immediate need to provide scholarships during the current application season.
- Employees, spouses, children or grandchildren qualify.
- The number of awardees continues to increase annually.
- The goal is to raise adequate funds to support all 2026 applicants.
- If funds are insufficient to meet the needs of applicants, we can draw 4.5% from our Endowment.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED**

2025: 45 scholarships, totaling \$217,500 2024: 36 scholarships, totaling \$185,000

## **AVERAGE SCHOLARSHIPS**

\$7,500 4-Year Scholarship Awards \$2,500 2-Year College/Vocational School



2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$189,300 / 98 Gifts

2024 Funds Contributed: \$68,600 / 54 Gifts

ANNUAL FUND BALANCE: \$221,800



"My goal has always been to work in sports. I'm now entering grad school to pursue a career in football operations—ideally as a director of player personnel or eventually in an NFL front office. Over the past year, I've taken on more leadership roles working with the Cal Poly football team. This scholarship eases financial stress and gives my family peace of mind. The continuation of my educational journey at USC wouldn't have been possible without you."

—Hector Aldapa Morales Jr. (Father is Hector Aldapa, Dining Services)





- Established in 1998 in partnership with the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara.
- Provides long-term support and enables us to fund scholarships through investment earnings.
- Up to 4.5% of the Endowment may be distributed annually if needed. For example, with a balance of \$980,000, no more than \$44,100 could be used to offset Annual Fund shortfalls.
- The Scholarship Committee determines where contributions can make the most significant difference each year—whether in the Annual Fund or the Endowment.

To learn more about the Casa Scholarship Funds, please contact Chair Janet DeBard at 805.969.8660.

2025 Funds Contributed to Date: \$21,300 / 18 Gifts 2024 Funds Contributed: \$116,700 / 38 Gifts ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCE: \$980,000

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Casa Dorinda is a proud sponsor of CALM's mission to prevent childhood trauma and heal children and families.





Residents Joanne Rapp and Susan
Gulbransen are passionate supporters of
CALM and both served as past presidents
of the Board of Directors. Susan's mother,
Claire W. Miles was CALM's Founder in
1970. Both Joanne and Susan are members
of Casa Dorinda's/MRA Philanthropy
Committee and contribute to many other
important causes in our greater community.

Joanne Rapp & Susan Gulbransen (left to right)



## YOUR GIFTS FURTHER OUR PHILANTHROPIC MISSION

- Enhance the Lives of Casa Residents
- Improve our Programs and Campus

- Support and Lift Up our Employees
- Bolster our Financial Strength

## **JOIN US**

We invite you to become a loyal donor by giving annually to the fund(s) most meaningful to you. Your donation can be directed to more than one fund.

## WAYS TO GIVE TO CASA DORINDA

- MONTHLY STATEMENT: add your donation to your Casa statement (see enclosed envelope)
- IRA: make a qualified charitable distribution (contact your IRA custodian) and reduce your taxable income
- DONOR ADVISED FUND: request a grant to the Montecito Retirement Association through your DAF
- STOCK GIFT: donate appreciated stock, receive a charitable deduction and avoid capital gains taxes

Please see the enclosed envelope for more information on making a tax-deductible donation, or contact Lisa Thomas, Director of Philanthropy at 805.969.8070 or lthomas@casadorinda.org.





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